

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 311
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to commend John Michael Burch for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, John Michael Burch is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Jerry Cooper and the Senate Commerce, Labor and Agriculture Committee; Mr. Burch's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burch is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University where he earned a bachelor of science degree in political science with minors in English and history and achieved an impressive overall grade point average of 3.1; and

WHEREAS, his course and project work in political science centered on public administration and Tennessee government; he also performed statistical research in quantitative methods; and

WHEREAS, John Michael has also honed his culinary skills as an employee of Bob Cherry's Barbeque; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Burch brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, he has been a valuable asset to the Senate Commerce, Labor and Agriculture Committee, and his exemplary work ethic and his close attention to even the

smallest task or detail have earned John Michael the respect, admiration and eternal gratitude of Senator Cooper and committee research analyst, Loudene Gee; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, John Michael Burch has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burch has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend John Michael Burch for his outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Jerry Cooper and the Senate Commerce, Labor and Agriculture Committee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.